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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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In re the Application of:

Kenichi UTSUMI et al.

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Examiner: Irshadullah, M.

For: LICENSE DEVOLUTION APPARATUS

AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

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This is in response to the Office Action mailed November 1, 2002, and having a period for response set to expire on February 1, 2003. A Petition for a 1-month extension of time, together with the requisite fee for same, is submitted herewith, thereby extending the period for response to March 1, 2003. Therefore, this Amendment is timely filed by March 1, 2003.

The following remarks, including comments in view of the Examiner interview on January 22, 2003, and amendments are respectfully submitted, and reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested.

If any further fees are required in connection with the filing of this Amendment, please charge our Deposit Account No. 19-3935.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please **REPLACE** claims 1-2, 5-6 and 8-9 as follows.

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1. (FOUR TIMES AMENDED) A license devolution apparatus, comprising:
storage medium accessing means for accessing a first storage medium storing contents encrypted with a predetermined key, a first media ID identifying the first storage medium, and a first encryption secure information generated by encrypting the key and a first license information, representing a right to use the contents, together with one another or individually, with the first media ID, and accessing a second storage medium storing a second media ID identifying the second storage medium;